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## BY E-MAIL (mlombardo@mvphealthcare.com)

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Re: MVP 2015 Vermont Health Connect Rate Filing

Docket No. GMCB-17-14rr

## Dear Matt:

I am responding on behalf of the Green Mountain Care Board to MVP's request that certain information in MVP's June 17, 2014 letter and accompanying Excel document be treated as confidential. Earlier today, we received an e-mail from you providing the following explanation (which we understand will be filed via SERFF) for why the designated information should be confidential:

Pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 317 (c)(9), MVP requests that the designated portions of our Objection Letter response, dated June 17, 2014, remain confidential and not subject to disclosure under Vermont's public records law. The disclosure of this information, which is partly based upon and/or derived from MVP's contractual agreements with providers and facilities would put our organization at a competitive disadvantage. In part, the information reflects reimbursement rates that were the subject of MVP's negotiation with an entity that also negotiates with MVP competitors. The public disclosure of this information will undermine MVP's private negotiations, advantage our competitors, and potentially result in increased premiums for Vermonters.

We have determined that your explanation satisfies GMCB Rule 2.000, § 2.305(a)'s requirement that "the Person claiming confidentiality must provide a detailed explanation supporting its claim." We believe that designated information meets the statutory requirements pertaining to materials exempted from Vermont's public records law. Therefore, all persons who have possession of or access to this information must treat it as confidential, as provided in Rule 2.000 and the Board's standing Confidentiality Order.

Please contact me if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

s/ Mike Donofrio
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